

## Antelope Valley Illegal Dumping Task Force (AVIDTF) Meeting Summary of January 8, 2014

Fire Station No. 129, Training Center 42110 6<sup>th</sup> Street West Lancaster, CA 93534

## **Attendees:**

Christine Borzaga, Supervisor Antonovich's Office David Brackin, Department of Weights/Measures Tim Burgess, Civil Association Doug Burgis, Chair of the Illegal Dumping Task Force Dave Campbell, District Attorney's Office. Frank Chin, Department of Public Works Kelly Decker, Kagel Canyon Annamarie Dyemartin, Littlerock Town Council Josie Gutierrez, Department of Public Works Julianne Haness, Waste Management, Inc. Gil Hernandez, CHP/AV Patricia Hundt, Department of Public Health George Jung, Northrop Grumman Tom Lapworth, Quartz Hill Chamber Richard Lavrinc. Waste Management, Inc. Eve T. Lopez, Department of Public Work Chris Mastro, Department of Public Health Sean McIntyre, Resident David Pang, Department of Public Works Doug Parham, Resident Debbie Pepe Guy Randles, Green Valley Town Council Kerstin Schlegel, Department of Regional Planning Scott Short, Los Angeles County Sheriff Ann Trussell, Realtor John White, Los Angeles County Sheriff Mark Wilson, President LCA

## **AVIDTF Meeting**

- Self-introduction of all attendees including volunteer resident, Sean McIntyre.
   Sean volunteers his time along with his neighbors in cleaning up the neighborhood. He was recently provided with 2 roll-off bins courtesy of Waste Management for cleanup events near Ave S and 25<sup>th</sup> near Sierra Highway.
- Summary review of the current funding status. The amount in the checking account is \$22,052.72.
- Eve Lopez provided the statistics on the Illegal Dumping cases for the Antelope Valley.
- Eve Lopez provided an update to the Task Force on the activities of the AVIDTF Funding Subcommittee. The following were mentioned:
  - A possible bin to be provided to Museum of Art and History (MOAH) for the MLK clean-up project. It was determined later on in the meeting that MOAH was inquiring directly with Waste Management.
  - Providing vouchers to residents to dispose up to one ton of trash at the landfills.
  - Illegal dumping signs will be ordered and provided to residents free of charge to post on their property upon request.
  - Grant Application will be available from from January 13, 2014 to March 7, 2014.
- Additional recommendation was mentioned for the MLK project partnership to include a banner for the Task Force.
- The floor was opened for public discussions:
  - Littlerock Town Council member inquired on AQMD and Fire Department collaboration on the issue of trash burning. Christine Borzaga will reschedule meeting with AQMD and Fire Department.
  - Doug Parham mentioned at 216<sup>th</sup> Street East and Avenue I trash was found with person's identification. There was a suggestion that the case be worked with the Sheriff Department.
  - Jack Rabbit Flats had a gate stolen. A resident suggested putting up a sand berm to deter dumpers from entering the road. The road is on private property and the County will not be involved. The resident can try contacting the property owner to get permission.
  - Resident inquired information on tires disposal Free Tire Roundup events in April and October. Only unincorporated area residents can bring up to 4 tires to the Lancaster Landfill for free of charge per year for recycling. A permit is needed from Department of Public Health if transporting more than 9 tires at a time.

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- Palmdale local public memorial crosses, candles, teddy bears, flowers, plants, beer bottles and other debris disposal; limited to two-days memorial and to check with Palmdale Code Enforcements. Public Health will not issue notices in most cases since it's a very sensitive matter.
- Kagel Canyon representatives addressed interest on surveillance and illegal dumping prevention in the community. Christine Borzaga recommended them to speak with Dave Campbell and Chris Mastro. They spoke privately on this issue outside of the room.
- Sean McIntyre, volunteer local resident, inquired about resources available to deal with illegal dumping such as grants and signs. He requested signs at Firethorn Ave. and Old Harold Road, which is in the City of Palmdale. Sean and his volunteers cleaned-up the area around Avenue S and 25<sup>th</sup> Street East.